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John Heires

White House Card Record

With respect to the questions raised in your memorandum of 20 February, which we have also discussed orally, I have the following comments:

a. The language used in the "Terms of Reference" is an almost verbatim extract from para. 1 of NSCID #1, which established the IAC. Hence, it would probably be desirable to retain this data in substantially the present form.

b. A check of our records indicated that the IAC actually met fifty-five (55) times from 1 January 1956 through 12 February 1957 (including both regular and special sessions).

c. Assuming you do not wish to expand the information given on the present card, the only other suggested alteration might be in the category "Staff Arrangements" so it would read:

"John Heires, Secretary (CIA) (1 Secretary and 1 clerical assistant full time)"

d. There are no present arrangements for automatically including the Cabinet Secretariat in the distribution of any periodic status reports of the IAC. However, as I mentioned in our earlier oral discussion of this matter (in which I alluded to my conversation with Mr. Amory about this), these reports, which contain information of a highly classified nature, such as details regarding the activities of IAC subcommittees, normally are made available to the NSC. We have no reason to believe that this arrangement has not served satisfactorily to keep the White House and those high policy makers with a need-to-know informed on significant activities of the IAC.

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